

CASHIER ADMITS FALSE STATEMENT

Overby, Choked With Emotion, Tells Story of Mecklenburg Bank Failure.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BOYDTON, VA., February 20.—The trial of Cashier Overby was resumed at the opening of court this morning. Mr. Overby was further examined as to the discrepancy between the bank books and the financial statement sent by Mr. Overby to the Corporation Commission as of December 7, 1907. After examining two witnesses on some minor points, the prosecution rested its case.

The defense first placed Mr. Overby on the stand. He was told to tell the whole story of his connection with the failure of the bank. Major Risson, prosecuting attorney, objected, and urged that Mr. Overby be confined to the case at bar, which was the alleged falsification of his financial statement sent to the State Corporation Commission, and that all irrelevant matter be excluded.

Overby's Statement.

Judge Barksdale, after argument in the absence of the jury, overruled the objection. Mr. Overby then went into the details at great length as to the causes that led him into allowing Mr. Coghill to overdraw to so large an extent. He claimed that he allowed Mr. Coghill to draw small amounts at first, and that step by step, with promises to settle up, he was finally engulfed, but hoped to the end that he might get the money back. He did not deny that he had made the false statement as to the condition of the bank, but gave as his reason for concealing from the directors the true condition of the matter that the bank would have had to close its doors long before it did. He claimed that he never received one cent of benefit from the proceeds of the overdrafts of Coghill.

Mr. Overby was taken through a trying cross-examination by the prosecution. He was on the stand nearly the entire day of the court today. He was at times during his examination almost choked with emotion.

Several witnesses were examined to prove the good reputation of Mr. Overby. The attorneys for the defense then announced that they were through with their evidence. Court adjourned until Monday, and in going to Judge Barksdale said: "Gentlemen, I hope you will attend church to-morrow, and I will take you there."

The instructions to the jury will be agreed upon this evening between counsel, and Monday the arguments will begin.

STATE AID FOR SCHOOLS.

Board of Education Approves Loans to Counties.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BALTIMORE, N. C., February 20.—The State Board of Education has just approved loans aggregating \$25,000 from the State loan fund for aiding in the erection of new public school buildings in the State, the amounts being distributed in a large number of the counties, and representing every section. Under the terms of the loan, the school districts receiving the loans are obliged to invest at least an additional amount equal to the State loan, but in many instances very much more.

Lecture to Sunday School Workers.
Rev. John Ripout will deliver an instructive and interesting lecture to Sunday school workers at the regular quarterly meeting of the Henrico Sunday School Institute in the lecture room of Grace Church to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. Sunday school workers of other churches are invited to be present.

Novel Damage Suit.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., February 20.—A novel civil suit was instituted here to-day against the Southern Railway for \$10,000. F. S. Cook, the plaintiff, alleges mental anguish as a result of a Southern agent refusing to check his trunk to Danville, Va., upon the plea that it contained liquor.

Kick Ends Fatally.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMINGTON, N. H., February 20.—Wallace Davis, son of Peter Davis, aged about eighteen years, who was kicked by a horse yesterday, and had his lower jaw broken, died to-day. He will be buried Monday in the family cemetery.

The Raincoat Store

We are offering exceptional values in cravenettes and rain-proof garments for men, women and children. We opened our store Friday, February 19, for the exclusive sale of our made garments, giving you a chance to secure a raincoat at one profit.

Men's Cravenettes

Men's \$10 Raincoats, of serviceable waterproof material, well made, at \$5.00.
Men's \$15 Raincoats, of best domestic waterproof fabrics, at \$7.50.
Men's \$18 Cravenettes, of imported cloth guaranteed waterproof, at \$9.00.

Women's Cravenettes and Silk Waterproof Coats

Women's \$15 Silk Rubberized Waterproof Coats, at \$10.
Women's \$25 Silk Coats, newest styles and colors, guaranteed trimmed, at \$17.50.
Women's \$10 Raincoats, of good, serviceable waterproof cloth, at \$6.50.

Guarantee Raincoat Co.

"THE RAINCOAT STORE,"

403 East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Mail Orders Receive Our Careful Attention.

News of Petersburg

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
109 North Sycamore Street,
Petersburg, Va., February 20.

The sales of loose tobacco at the warehouses in this city this week, as reported officially by Supervisor J. B. McCulloch, aggregated 299,875 pounds.

An increase over the sales of last week. The total sales for the season from October 1, to February 19, were 4,435,050 pounds, an increase of 1,435,649 pounds over the sales for the corresponding period of last year. It is roughly estimated that the sales this season, with 25 per cent. of the crop yet to come in, have netted the planters in this section in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000.

The Dinwiddie Road Board met this week at the county courthouse to consider matters of importance in connection with the improvement of the public roads, especially since the vote of the people to authorize a bond issue of \$100,000 for that purpose, but in consequence of the absence of some of the members it was decided to take no definite action. The convict force will be retained for road work, and the county will make application for its quota also. Though it has no convict force at work, the county is doing some good work on its roads.

Cases Continued for Trial.
William Smith, negro, is charged with robbing R. P. Taylor, a merchant of Turner's, Va., of \$5 in money. Mr. Taylor being a comparative stranger in the city, got Smith to show him to a boarding house on Lombard Street Tuesday night. The following morning he discovered that he had been robbed, and went out in search of Smith, whom he found in a bar-room. Smith fled on sight of Mr. Taylor and was arrested on Wednesday in Richmond and brought back here. He had purchased a new clothing outfit, and some money was found on his person. He denies the theft, but circumstances justify his detention for trial, which will take place on Wednesday.

The cases of three white strangers—J. M. Sutton, L. N. Norton and W. T. Robinson—who are charged with a violation of the State revenue laws in peddling in the city without a license, were called in the Police Court this morning, but continued. They are all under bond of \$1,000 each, and their appearance, but Norton failed to appear this morning, and his bond was declared forfeited. The parties, it is alleged, peddled chewing gum, canvassing from house to house.

General News.

Under instructions of State Councilor L. R. Smith, of Richmond, of the J. O. U. A. M., State Council Secretary

Thomas B. Ivy, of this city, will leave for the Valley to-morrow to deliver a number of addresses before the councils in that section. Mr. Ivy will visit Basic City, Staunton, Middlebrook, New Market, Swift Run and other places during the week.

Mrs. Lavine Stell Boissau, wife of Thomas H. Boissau, of this city, who suffered a slight stroke of paralysis several days ago, has very much improved in condition.

There will be no formal observance of Washington's Birthday in this city. Edwin W. Payne, a former well-known Petersburg, died yesterday at his home, in Crews. The body will be brought here to-morrow afternoon for burial in Blandford Cemetery. Mr. Payne was sixty-one years of age, and is survived by one son, Edwin R. Payne, of this city, and three brothers, Charles M., of Crews; W. T., of Norfolk, and J. H. Payne, of Richmond.

Rev. W. C. Taylor, D. D., who has been visiting in Kentucky during the past week, returned to the city to-night. Dr. Taylor addressed his old congregation at Frankfort, Ky., and spoke at Ashland in the interest of the Anti-Saloon League.

Sermon on Christian Science.
Rev. J. B. Winn, D. D., pastor of Washington Street Methodist Church, in his series of sermons on "Fads," will preach to-morrow night on "Christian Science as a System of Religion."

W. H. Rolfe, while looking after the checking of his daughter's trunk at the Dunlop Street station of the Seaboard Air Line Railway last night, fell from the platform and was quite painfully though not seriously hurt.

The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday School Association of this city and vicinity will be held Sunday afternoon in Blandford Church. Rev. J. T. Battin will deliver the address.

STILL IN PINECASTLE JAIL.

No Longer Danger of Violence Toward Negro.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PINECASTLE, VA., February 20.—Felix Christian, the negro who criminally assaulted and murdered Annie McGee, a white woman, was yesterday sentenced to death by Judge Anderson in the Circuit Court here, in the case of the Pinecastle Jail. It had been expected that he would be rushed to the penitentiary at Richmond as quickly as possible, owing to the intensity of the feeling against him, but so quickly was the excitement allayed after sentence of death had been pronounced that undue haste became unnecessary. While there is still much feeling on the part of the people here and at Glen Wilton, it is not of a nature which tends toward violence, and all danger of that is now believed to be past. This even-

ing it was stated at the jail that Christian would be taken to Richmond as soon as a guard arrived for him, but none of the officers would make a statement as to when that would be.

LATEST WAR SCARE COMES AS NOVELTY

(Continued from Page One—Column 1.)

be taken with a grain of salt. It is difficult to see how situations can be avoided in which the humiliation of the administration at the hands of the Lords and by-elections would force an appeal to the country unless all sense of dignity and self-respect be abandoned.

FOR THE BOYS

Prime Minister Backs the Movement for Continuation Schools.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
LONDON, February 20.—A strong movement, which has the co-operation of the Prime Minister, to keep boys in continuation schools until they reach the age of seventeen, is on foot. Mr. Asquith, the Premier, in an address on this subject, favored raising the age of exemption and compulsory attendance at evening classes, saying that the poor law majority and minority reports agreed on the question of boy labor. The government, he said, hoped to be able before long to give legislative sanction to the suggestions made by the deputation.

CRY FOR HELP

French Importers to America in Fear of the Tariff.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
PARIS, February 20.—M. Gruppé, Minister of Commerce, received to-day an important deputation of French exporters to the United States, representing manufacturers of gloves, porcelain, glass, lace, perfumes, feathers and food products and of the Compagnie Transatlantique and other important interests, who expressed fear that the decision of the Ways and Means committee of the House to increase the tariff on American goods on an average of 20 per cent. against one of 10 per cent. on European goods would have a disastrous effect on American trade. For war they asked that the French general tariff should be lowered by conventions to a minimum, particularly with regard to the United States.

SOCIETY IN LONDON

King and Queen Attend Matinee by Some Society Amateurs.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
LONDON, February 20.—Fancy dress balls and smart amusements, which have been the order of the week, are having a vogue in England, and in making a success of the Chelsea Art Club ball, which was given at Covent Garden.

The Olympia and American roller-skating rink joined in a costume carnival, where 3,000 skaters in costume made a remarkable sight.

The King and Queen attended a matinee at the Shatterproof Theatre, where society amateurs acted and sang. It was a very gathering, and much of a performance. Among the American present were Lady Granard and Lady Craven, and Mrs. Ridgely Carter, Mrs. Cloman, and Mrs. Drexel.

Mrs. Cloman and Mrs. Gibson, both of the American Embassy, have been among the town hostesses. Mrs. Cloman has a new residence with a reception Friday afternoon. Bridge was played by many of the guests, which included the excellent music. Many of Mrs. Cloman's compatriots were present.

Lady Newborough gave the first of a series of informal luncheons, yesterday. Lady Bateman, Sir Gilbert and Lady Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coventry were some of the guests.

Mr. Bruguiere has been residing largely at Corsham Court, which he has leased from Lord Methuen. His minister declared that the de-

Another newcomer in Anglo-American society is the Countess Popenheim, who is also a charming hostess. Mr. and Mrs. Gifford have taken a town house for the season.

Mrs. Bradley Martin has postponed her departure from London until next week.

William Waldorf Astor has gone to his villa at Sorrento, where he expects a number of friends to join him. Ambassadors Reid and Balfour, guests at dinner at the embassy last night. Mrs. Carter acted as hostess in the drawing room.

The guests included the ministers to the Argentine, Brazil and Chile, Irving V. Dudley, the American Ambassador to Brazil, Mrs. Dudley, Commander and Mrs. Gibbon, Captain and Mrs. Wadsworth, Mrs. Charles Emory Smith, Mrs. Ronalds and Mrs. Emory. A long table was beautifully decorated with pink and red roses and large silver bowls.

KING WOULD FLY

Alfonso is Greatly Interested in Wright Brothers' Aeroplane.

PAU, FRANCE, Feb. 20.—King Alfonso was present at the flying field here to-day and witnessed the flights of the Wright brothers, the American aeroplanists. It had been generally believed that King Alfonso would venture aloft on one of the trips, but he did not do so and it became known before leaving Spain he had promised Queen Victoria and Premier Maura that he would not go up into the air under any circumstances. His interest in the aeroplane was the greatest interest in the aeroplane as an engine of war and deplored the fact that he could not make a trial flight.

HOUSES FOR DESTITUTE

Lieutenant-Commander Belknap Goes to Reveal Them.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
ROME, February 20.—Lieutenant-Commander Belknap, the American naval attaché, is going to Naples to take over the 3,000 wooden houses on the slopes of Mount Vesuvius, which earthquake sufferers. About three-fifths of the houses are destined for Messina, where some of them will form a street in the new city which will probably receive an American name. The rest will be erected in a new village, which will be named after the name of the American attaché. The houses will be furnished with furniture and will also co-operate in the building.

Commander Belknap will engage 150 carpenters in Naples, who will work under two American master carpenters, who accompany each cargo. The commander hopes that all the houses will be used within a month. The first shipment is due at Naples to-morrow.

OPPRESS CORSET

Carmen Sylva, Queen of Roumania, Initiates Crusade Against Them.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)
BERLIN, February 20.—Buenarest telegrams say that Queen Elizabeth of Roumania (Carmen Sylva), has initiated a crusade against corsets. She has issued a manifesto addressed to the women and girls of her empire, in which she appeals to them to boycott the injurious article of dress. She points out that the corset distorts the body and inflicts serious injury. She asks mothers to instill into their daughters profound dislike

Vigorous, Hale and Hearty at 76.



MR. AND MRS. DAVID THOMPSON.

Mr. and Mrs. David Thompson, of Peekskill, N. Y., praise Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey as the "best tonic" for the old. Mr. Thompson is 76 years old and Mrs. Thompson is 73. Both are strong and vigorous, thanks to Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, which cured Mrs. Thompson of dyspepsia, after years of intense suffering.

"Mrs. Thompson and myself have used Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey the last year or more, and find it the best tonic for the aged. We are in the best of health, and I myself can do a good day's work every day. I am in my 76th year, and take the tonic twice a day."

"My wife had suffered from stomach trouble for years, and tried many kinds of medicine, until two years ago, when she thought she would try Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. She was relieved at once. She still continues to take it, and says there is nothing like it for dyspepsia."

"Mrs. Thompson is 73 years old, and boasts of the best of health since taking your medicinal whiskey."—Mr. and Mrs. David Thompson.

Every testimonial is guaranteed genuine, and is published in good faith with full consent.

Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey

Many men and women, who have almost reached the fourscore mark, tell the same story as Mr. and Mrs. Thompson about what Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey has done toward renewing their youth and keeping them vigorous, hale and hearty, and in possession of all their faculties. As a leading doctor says, the secret of the whole thing is that Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, if taken as prescribed, drives out all disease germs, invigorates the brain, enriches the blood, quickens the circulation and prevents decay and old age.

This wonderful remedy has been extolled throughout the world for what it has done for suffering humanity. The success of Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey in curing disease has caused many unreliable dealers to put up substitutes and imitations with which to fool the people, claiming that their substitutes are just as good as Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey.

CAUTION—When you ask your druggist, grocer or dealer for Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey be sure you get the genuine. It's the only absolutely pure medicinal malt whiskey, and is sold in large sealed bottles only; never in bulk. Price \$1.00. Look for the trade-mark, the "Old Chemist," on the label, and make sure the seal over the cork is unbroken. Write Consulting Physician, Duffy Malt Whiskey Co., Rochester, N. Y., for free illustrated medical booklet and free doctor's advice.

of the corset. The manifesto is printed in a dozen languages.

CASTRO IS OUT

High Federal Court of Venezuela Deposes Against Him.

CARACAS, February 19 (via Willomstad, February 20).—Cipriano Castro has lost his title as President of Venezuela, the High Federal Court having rendered a decision that sufficient evidence had been presented in the suit brought against him by the Attorney-General at the instance of Senator Alcántara, Minister of the Interior, on the charge of having attempted to bring about the assassination of Juan Vicente Gómez, the acting President. In its decision the High Federal Court transfers the suit to the Criminal Court, and declares that Castro, in consequence of the disclosures, is constitutionally suspended from the presidency.

The suit to bring about the constitutional removal of President Castro was instituted several weeks ago at the instance of the Minister of the Interior, whose communication to the Attorney-General on this subject was accompanied by a large quantity of documentary evidence relating to the alleged plot against the life of Gómez. The minister declared that the documents showed that this plot was the result of suggestions, advice and orders of General Castro, who has recovered from an operation which he underwent at a private sanatorium at Berlin, where it is his intention to make a protracted stay.

SUFFRAGETTES ACTIVE

Advertise They Will Attempt to See Premier Asquith.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The suffragettes have adopted a novel method for advertising the demonstration they are planning for Feb. 24. Throughout the day a sombre-looking vehicle, supposed to represent a police van, in which was a man in a policeman's uniform, was driven along the main streets. The vehicle was decorated with the suffragette colors and escorted by a number of women carrying banners, announcing that a deputation would assemble the 24th and proceed to the house of commons in an effort to see Premier Asquith.

MINISTER TRANSFERRED

Baron Moncheur, Representing Belgium, Goes to Constantinople.

BRUSSELS, February 20.—Baron Moncheur, the Belgian minister to the United States, has been transferred to Constantinople. He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.

He will be succeeded at Washington by Count de Balsaer, Stenographic Secretary.



At 50c On the Dollar

All the Shoes of a Boston Factory

Beginning to-morrow promptly at 9 o'clock I will put on sale the entire stock of a Boston factory.

Among the big values will be 1,000 pairs of Ladies' Patent Leather and Vici Kid Pumps, Oxfords and Gibson and Sailor Ties.

This is a Great Sale—a Money-Saving Sale!

Ladies' Oxford and Gibson Ties, patent kid, worth \$4.00, sets A to E, my clearing price	\$2.00	Lot of \$4.00 Pumps, light tan and very smart, my clearing out price	\$2.00	Ladies' One and Two-Strap Sandals, vict. kid, worth \$1.50, my price	85c
Ladies' Oxford and Sallor Ties, light and dark tan, worth \$4.00 per pair, my clearing price	\$2.00	500 pairs of Pumps, regular \$4.00 dancing pumps, my price	\$1.98	1,000 pairs Ladies' Oxfords, soft, dressy leather, worth \$2.00, my price	\$1.00
Lot Ladies' Shoes, patent cloth tops, button, plain or tips, worth \$1.50, my price	\$2.00	Ladies' Oxfords, \$3.00 patent leather, my price	\$1.50	Lot White Canvas Slip-on shoes, worth \$1.50, my price is only	\$1.00
Lot of \$4.00 Pumps, black and tan and patent leather, some have ankle straps, my price only	\$2.00	Ladies' Patent Leather Ties, vict. kid, easy wear, worth \$1.50, my price	\$1.50	100 pairs Men's Shoes, gunmetal and calf, worth \$3.00 per pair, my price	\$1.75
Lot Dorothy Dodd and Queen Quality Shoes, genuine \$3.00 and \$4.00 grades, my price only	\$1.98	Ladies' Slippers, house and street wear, rubber inside, worth \$1.50, my price	75c	100 pairs Men's \$3.00 patent kid and blue leather and button, my price only	\$2.25
		Children's School Shoes, lace and button, tan and black, all sizes, worth \$1.50 and \$1.75, my price	\$1.25	500 pairs Men's Work Shoes, worth \$2.00, my price only	\$1.00

Do Not Miss the Big Chance the King of Shoes Gives You for Securing Bargains

ALBERT STEIN

Fifth and Broad Streets

King of Shoes

NOT TO COMPETE BUT TO EXCEL

Standard of Quality

Ask for Walker's Durham Everywhere

HANCOCK CIGAR CO., Distributors, Richmond, Va.